



**Via ECFS**

July 8, 2016

Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: EX PARTE NOTICE**

*Rural Healthcare Support Mechanism, WT Docket No. 02-60*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Tuesday, June 21, 2016, David Haller, Debra Healey, and the undersigned, with iSelectMD, Alan Perry, with the Center for Advancement of mHealth (the "Center"), and Brad Blanken, with the Competitive Carriers Association ("CCA"), met via teleconference with Rachel Engle, Karen Onyeije, and Dr. Yahya Shaikh of the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC or Commission") Connect2Health Task Force.<sup>1</sup>

iSelectMD and the Center is a national provider of mobile health and telemedicine services and the fastest growing healthcare provider in the wireless telecom space. Located in Hilton Head, South Carolina, iSelectMD and the Center provides access to board certified physicians through voice or bi-directional video. CCA is the nation's leading association for competitive wireless providers and stakeholders across the United States. The licensed service area of CCA's more than 100 carrier members covers 95 percent of the nation.

During the meeting, the parties discussed how iSelectMD and the Center can assist the FCC and the Connect2Health Task Force in improving access to healthcare for broadband

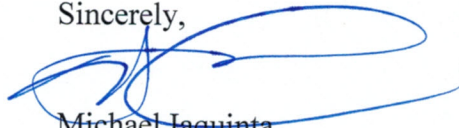
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<sup>1</sup> iSelectMD and the Center recognizes that, pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this ex parte filing is 11 business days late with respect to the meeting described. iSelectMD and the Center therefore asks the Commission to waive the applicable rule to the extent necessary. The slight delay was inadvertent. The purpose of the rule is to ensure that parties have timely notice of ex parte communications. The Commission is not expected to act in this proceeding shortly. Therefore, waiver of the rule will not prejudice any of the parties to the proceeding and granting the waiver would be in the public interest.

subscribers residing in rural areas. The initial objective of iSelectMD and the Center is to access Healthcare Connect Fund funding as an eligible healthcare provider ("EHP").<sup>2</sup> To this end, iSelectMD and the Center gave a presentation explaining how telemedicine can reduce costs and improve access to healthcare. The parties also discussed the advantages of utilizing broadband technology to connect patients and subscribers to physicians. The parties discussed the potential deployment of a broadband healthcare program and sought clarification from the FCC on whether the Center is an EHP under existing law.<sup>3</sup>

This *ex parte* notification is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules.

Sincerely,



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*President and Founder, iSelectMD*

CC: Rachel Engle  
Karen Onyeije  
Dr. Yahya Shaikh

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<sup>2</sup> See 47 U.S.C. § 254(h)(7).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*